

**TO: SWIMMING AND DIVING COACHES, NORTHEAST DISTRICT**

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**SUBJECT: 2008 NORTHEAST DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL SWIMMING AND DIVING MEET**

This is information for the 2008 High School District Swimming Meet. The top-3 finishers in each **individual** event from each of the sectionals automatically qualify for the District Meet, for a total of 15 automatic qualifiers in Division I Girls and Boys, and 9 automatic in Division II Girls. There will be 35 at-large qualifiers in the Boys Division for a total of **50 participants**, 25 at-large qualifiers in Girls Division I for a total of **40 participants**, and 21 at-large qualifiers in Girls Division II for a total of **30 participants**. In the **relay** events, each Sectional will qualify two automatic relays in each event with 20 relay teams qualifying at-large in the Boys Division for a total of **30 relays** and 10 and 14 relay teams qualifying at-large in each girls relay event in Division I and II, respectively for a total of **20 relays each** that will compete. Girls Division I divers and Boys divers will compete at one of two Sectional meets, where 15 divers from Solon and 10 divers from Akron totaling 25, will advance to the District meet. The Hawken Lakewood, and Mayfield Sectional divers will compete at Solon, while the former Wooster and Akron Sectional divers will compete at Ocasek Natatorium at The University of Akron. Division II Girls divers will advance directly to Districts. Division II diving coaches are requested to enter only those divers who have an 11-dive list in the District meet.

**NEW FOR 2008: If an automatic qualifier should displace a faster swimmer who is under the final cut time from a Sectional meet, both the automatic qualifier and the displaced swimmer shall qualify and advance to the district tournament.**

**DATES:** February 14, 15, and 16, 2008

**LOCATION:** The Robert F. Busbey Natatorium at Cleveland State University  
2451 Euclid Ave. (between East 24th and East 30th, north side of Euclid)  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

**MEET SCHEDULE:** The warm-up and competition schedule is given on page 3.

**SCRATCHES AND RELAY CARDS:** Swim coaches are to check entries, submit any scratches, and pick up relay cards and Coach's Packet at the official table on the pool deck between **NOON AND 4:45 P.M. ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2008**. Relay cards are to be completed and turned in by the conclusion of the coaches' meeting on Thursday. The completed cards must list the names of at least **four** and up to **eight** swimmers who are eligible to participate in each relay and may not be changed once submitted.

**COACHES' MEETING:** A mandatory meeting for head coaches will be held at Cleveland State University on **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH AT 5:00 P.M. PLEASE BE PROMPT; ALL OF OUR TIME IS VALUABLE**. Each school must be represented at the meeting. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic disqualification of all competitors from that school. Emergency situations will be dealt with individually. It is recommended that you review the rules and regulations for Boys and Girls District Swimming Meets as detailed on the OHSAA web page under 2008 Tournament Regulations.

**STATE MEET QUALIFIERS:** The District Tournament will qualify **FOUR** automatic swimming qualifiers to the State Meet in the Boys' Division, Girls Division I will qualify **FIVE** automatic swimming qualifiers to the State Meet, and Division II Girls will qualify **THREE** automatic. In diving, **SIX** divers will qualify to the State Meet from the Boys Division, **NINE** divers to the State Meet from Division I and **SIX** divers will qualify from Division II Girls.

**DIVING COMPETITION:** Girls' and Boys' Diving will be held on Thursday, February 14, 2008, as given in the schedule on page 3. Diving forms will be available at the beginning of the warm-up period. A completed form must be turned in to the diving table for each diver before the diver will be permitted to warm-up. The order of divers will be determined by lot and the relative position of divers will remain the same for all levels of the competition. The diving will be conducted according to the rules in the 2007-2008 National Federation Swimming and Diving Rule Book. Divers must be accompanied by a coach or faculty representative to participate. **Please note that Division II Girls Divers must be entered electronically with the Sectional entries.**

**SWIMMING COMPETITION:** The swimming competition will be held on Friday, February 15, and Saturday, February 16. Each event will be swum as timed finals in the order of high school events using 10 lanes. **(EVEN YEAR SCHEDULE)** There will be two sessions each day. The meet will start with the Girls Division I 200 Medley Relay followed by the Girls Division II Medley Relay in Session I. Session II will begin with the Boys 200 Medley Relay. Session warm-up times and session start times are listed on page 3. Session start times and ticket sale times are listed on the Parent Information sheet.

**SCORING:** Events will be scored through 16 places as specified in the Federation Rules of Scoring for Championships. All participants are eligible for points and team scoring. Relays: 40 - 34 - 32 - 30 - 28 - 26 - 24 - 22 - 18 - 14 - 12 - 10 - 8 - 6 - 4 - 2. Individual: 20 - 17 - 16 - 15 - 14 - 13 - 12 - 11 - 9 - 7 - 6 - 5 - 4 - 3 - 2 - 1.

**AWARDS:** Medals will be awarded through **six** places in all events and trophies to first place and runner-up teams. Coaches will present the medals. Assignments will be made at the coaches' meeting.

**GOVERNING RULES:** The meet will be conducted under the regulations for swimming meets as per the January Ohio High School Athlete. The official coach or school representative must be with their swimmers or divers at all times. This includes the entire warm-up period and all competition. If it is determined that the coach or representative is not in attendance at any time, all competitors from the school will be disqualified from further competition.

**UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT PENALTY:** During participation in OHSAA tournaments, any student or coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct shall be ineligible for the remainder of that day as well as for all contests in swimming and diving until the two regular season/tournament contests are competed at the same level as the ejection. Individuals ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct shall be reported to the OHSAA Commissioner by the tournament manager. The Commissioner will investigate the situation and may impose additional penalties in accordance with Bylaw 12 if the situation warrants. **Participation in an athletic contest is a privilege. Each individual is expected to conduct himself or herself in an exemplary manner while participating.**

**DECK CREDENTIALS:** Coach deck passes will be issued to each school entering a team as defined by OHSAA. Coach passes will be allotted as follows: 1-5 qualifiers, one pass; 6-10 qualifiers, two passes; 11 + qualifiers, three passes. Swimmers will be issued a deck credential. **THE ONLY SWIMMERS PERMITTED ON DECK WILL BE PARTICIPANTS OF THE SESSION.**

**LOCKERS:** It is recommended that participants bring their own lock to use in the locker room. Individuals are solely responsible for their personal belongings.

**PARKING:** Classes will be in session at CSU on Thursday and Friday, so parking will be limited. No school buses will be permitted in the parking lots adjacent to the natatorium. There will be a limited number of spaces for meet staff, coaches, and officials. It is recommended that swimmers and divers be dropped off at the natatorium. Suggested parking: Visitor lots along Chester Avenue and E. 21<sup>st</sup>, E. 24<sup>th</sup>, and E. 26th. **VEHICLES WILL BE TOWED IF PARKED ILLEGALLY.**

**ADMISSION:** ADULTS        \$6.00    STUDENTS        \$4.00    (PRICES SET BY NORTHEAST DISTRICT BOARD)

## **RULES REGARDING USE OF THE CSU FACILITY**

1. **Per State Health Department guidelines, there will be NO SHAVING in the CSU Physical Education Building.**
2. There is no insurance coverage for property damage. Any damage at the site by participants will make their school or schools liable for the cost of repair. Schools and the president of the NEDAB will be notified the next working day of any damage caused by participants.
3. Coaches are responsible for maintaining cleanliness of their deck and locker room areas to be sure they are free of food and other debris.
4. No helium balloons are permitted in the facility.
5. **Video taping is to be done with battery packs only.** No use of outlets will be permitted.
6. Per State Association orders, the facility will be closed following the last swimming event. There will be no celebrations in the facility after the meet.
7. The instructional pool will NOT be open for use.
8. No hand paddles are permitted in the pool.
9. Taping of signs to painted surfaces will not be permitted.
10. No rubdowns are to be done on the main deck. Rubdowns are to be done only in the instructional pool on a table or blanket. A towel is not sufficient.
11. The building will be open for swimmers on Friday at **1:30 p.m.** and on Saturday at **10:30 a.m.**

**THE 2008 SWIMMING AND DIVING DISTRICT MEET SCHEDULE  
AT THE ROBERT F. BUSBEY NATATORIUM**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2008**

<b>GIRLS DIVING (DIVISION I)</b>	WARM-UP	7:45-8:45 A.M.
	COMPETITION	9:00 A.M.
<b>GIRLS DIVING (DIVISION II)</b>	WARM-UP	12:45-1:45 P.M.
	COMPETITION	2:00 P.M.
<b>BOYS DIVING</b>	WARM-UP	5:45-6:45 P.M.
	COMPETITION	7:00 P.M.

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2008**

**NO ONE PERMITTED IN THE FACILITY BEFORE 1:30 P.M.**

**SWIMMING EVENTS:**                      TIMED FINALS  
200 MEDLEY RELAY THROUGH 100 FLY

<b>SESSION I GIRLS</b>	WARM-UP	2:00 P.M.
<b>DIVISION I AND II</b>	COMPETITION	3:00 P.M.
<b>SESSION II BOYS</b>	WARM-UP	5:30 P.M.
	COMPETITION	6:30 P.M.

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2008**

**NO ONE PERMITTED IN THE FACILITY BEFORE 10:30 A.M.**

**SWIMMING EVENTS:**                      TIMED FINALS  
100 FREE THROUGH 400 FREE RELAY

<b>SESSION I GIRLS</b>	WARM-UP	11:00 A.M.
<b>DIVISION I AND II</b>	COMPETITION	12:00 NOON
<b>SESSION II BOYS</b>	WARM-UP	3:00 P.M.
	COMPETITION	4:00 P.M.

**SWIM COACHES:**

- **Scratches, entry check, and relay card pick-up between 12:00 noon and 4:45 p.m. on Thursday, February 14, 2008. Please be PROMPT so the coaches' meeting can begin at 5:00 p.m.**
- **Mandatory coaches' meeting at 5:00 p.m.**
- **Please bring CSU waiver forms for your athletes who are swimming for the first time at CSU this season. They will be collected at check-in. The form is available at [www.lakeerieswimming.com](http://www.lakeerieswimming.com).**